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SUBJECT: IMCO: SUB-COMMITTEE ON SAFETY OF NAVIGATION OF
MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE, 21ST SESSION

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1. THE 21ST SESSION OF THE IMCO SUB-COMMITTEE ON
SAFETY OF NAVIGATION OF THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE
WAS HELD FROM JULY 31 TO AUGUST 4, 1978. A FIVE-MEMBER
U.S. DELEGATION, ALL FROM THE COAST GUARD, ACTIVELY
PARTICIPATED.

2. SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS WAS MADE ON ALL ITEMS OF
CONCERN TO THE U.S. NO FINAL ACTION ON SIGNIFICANT
ITEMS HAD BEEN EXPECTED, NOR OCCURRED, AT THIS MEETING.

3. PARTLY BECAUSE OF SECGEN SRIVASTAVA'S CONCERN
THAT IMCO DEMONSTRATE ITS ABILITY TO ACT IN TIMELY
FASHION, USDEL SUPPORTED ACTION TAKEN TO ENTER
FOR CONSIDERATION A LATE DOCUMENT SUBMITTED JOINTLY
BY THE U.K. AND FRANCE. THE DOCUMENT CONCERNED A
VOLUNTARY SHIP MOVEMENT REPORT SYSTEM IN THE ENGLISH
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CHANNEL AND ITS APPROACHES. THE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT
INCLUDES A WORKING PAPER ON THE SUBJECT FOR CONSIDERA-
TION BY THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE.

4. THE FOLLOWING SUMMARIZES OTHER AREAS OF SIGNIFICANT
DISCUSSION:
A) A WORKING GROUP ON THE 1972 COLLISION REGULATIONS

COMPLETED REVIEW AND COMMENT ON THE PAPERS FOR THIS AREA FROM THE 20TH SESSION. PROVISIONAL CONSIDERATION WAS GIVEN TO THE PAPERS OF THE U.K. AND U.S. FOR THE 21ST SESSION. THERE WERE AMENDMENTS PROPOSED IN A NUMBER OF AREAS TO THE PAPERS OF THE 20TH SESSION, ALL OF WHICH COULD BE SUPPORTED BY THE U.S. AN INTER-SESSIONAL WORK GROUP IS PROPOSED FOR OCTOBER 9-13, 1978 IN THE NETHERLANDS TO COMPLETE THE WORK OF THIS WORK GROUP. WHILE THE U.S. DID NOT SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP, IT WILL BE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR THE U.S. TO BE REPRESENTED AT IT.

B) A WORKING GROUP ON SHIPS' ROUTING RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION FOUR NEW TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES AND AMENDMENTS TO NUMEROUS ROUTING MEASURES, PROVIDING IMPROVEMENTS AND CORRECTIONS AS APPROPRIATE. SEVERAL POTENTIALLY CONTROVERSIAL ACTIONS WERE WORKED OUT TO SATISFACTORY CONCLUSIONS.

C) A WORKING GROUP ON RADIO NAVIGATION SYSTEMS WAS INITIALLY ASSIGNED TWO TASKS BY THE SUB-COMMITTEE:

- (1) REVIEW THE SECOND REPORT OF THE INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP (ISWG) ON DIFFERENTIAL OMEGA; AND
- (2) REVIEW FINAL REPORT OF INTERNATIONAL RADIO CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CCIR) STUDY GROUP 8.

LATER ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS WERE MADE, DEALING WITH RADAR INSTALLATIONS, HARMONIZATION OF RADIONAVIGATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SYSTEMS, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR GYRO-COMPASSES,

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AND ACCURACY STANDARDS FOR RADIONAVIGATION SYSTEMS. U.S. SUBMISSIONS TO THE SUB-COMMITTEE PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE DURING DELIBERATIONS AND IN DRAFTS PREPARED BY THE WORKING GROUP. IN GENERAL, NO CONFLICTS WITH U.S. RECOMMENDATIONS EXISTED, AND U.S. POSITIONS ON VARIOUS PAPERS WERE UPHELD. OF SIGNIFICANCE WILL BE THE ONGOING WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE IN DEALING WITH HARMONIZATION AND ACCURACY OF RADIONAVIGATION. AN ISWG OF EXPERTS IS ANTICIPATED SUBSEQUENT TO THE 22ND SESSION TO FULLY DISCUSS AND FINALIZE DOCUMENTATION ON THESE TWO INTERNATIONALLY VISIBLE MARITIME ISSUES. DEPENDING UPON MSC ACTION, U.S. PARTICIPATION IN TWO ISWG'S IS CONTEMPLATED--ON HARMONIZATION/ACCURACY OF RADIONAVIGATION AIDS AND ON DIFFERENTIAL OMEGA CORRECTION SYSTEMS.

D) THE WORKING GROUP ON COLLISION AVOIDANCE AIDS WAS POLARIZED WITH ONE FACTION, LED BY NETHERLANDS AND ITALY, ADVOCATING A HIGHLY-SOPHISTICATED COMPUTER-ASSISTED STANDARD AND THE OTHER, LED BY THE U.K. AND FRG, ADVOCATING A SIMPLE STANDARD--LITTLE BETTER THAN A GOOD RADAR. THE U.S. DELEGATE TOOK A NEUTRAL STANCE, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SEEKING INSTEAD A REASONABLE COMPROMISE. THE GROUP SUBMITTED AN INTERIM REPORT TO THE SUB-COMMITTEE, INCLUDING DRAFT STANDARDS FOR COMPUTER-ASSISTED AND NON-COMPUTER-ASSISTED DEVICES. IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON A SINGLE STANDARD AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE.

THE WORKING GROUP DID NOT ADDRESS THE SUBJECT OF MANDATORY CARRIAGE OF THE AIDS AT THIS SESSION. HOWEVER, THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT SOME GOVERNMENTS, NOTABLY THE NETHERLANDS, WILL QUESTION THE DESIRABILITY OF GENERAL CARRIAGE. THIS MAY BE A PROBLEM AT THE NEXT SESSION. USDEL SENDS.

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